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March 3, 2009

Montana Senate PO Box 200500 Helena, MT 59620-0500

Dear Senator:

I am writing to you out of growing concern regarding the troubled economy and the impact it is having on my business. I am the President and General Manager of Diversified Plastics, Inc. in Missoula. Last year, after 33 years in business, we had achieved a steady rate of sales of \$500,000 per month and were employing 48 people. Now, nine months later, our sales have dropped by a third and we are down to 35 people, five of whom we have had to lay-off just in the last two weeks.

Diversified Plastics, Inc. is an industrial plastics component manufacturer of engineered products. We are an innovative firm that consults, designs, manufactures and supplies products such as sprockets, bearings, gears, chain, scrapers, etc. for round and rectangular clarifiers for waste water treatment plants nationally and internationally. We also manufacture many components for alternative energy equipment, pulp and paper plants, food processing equipment, agricultural equipment and forest products industry facilities in Montana and nationwide. We are equipped to make many types of injection-molded, fabricated, cast and machined plastic products, as well as, distribute raw plastic materials.

We are, of course, very interested in what the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act will do for the economy in our state. We would like the opportunity to be a plastic component supplier for any economic renewal project here in Montana. We are hoping that the legislature might encourage or even require that Montana manufacturers and suppliers be used whenever available, so that Montanans might benefit even more from this influx of money to our state.

I am writing to ask you for any help and support you can provide for us. We are greatly concerned about the future of our business. We may not be able to survive if sales continue to deteriorate at the current pace.

We will be following the legislative decisions closely. Thank you for your consideration and attention.

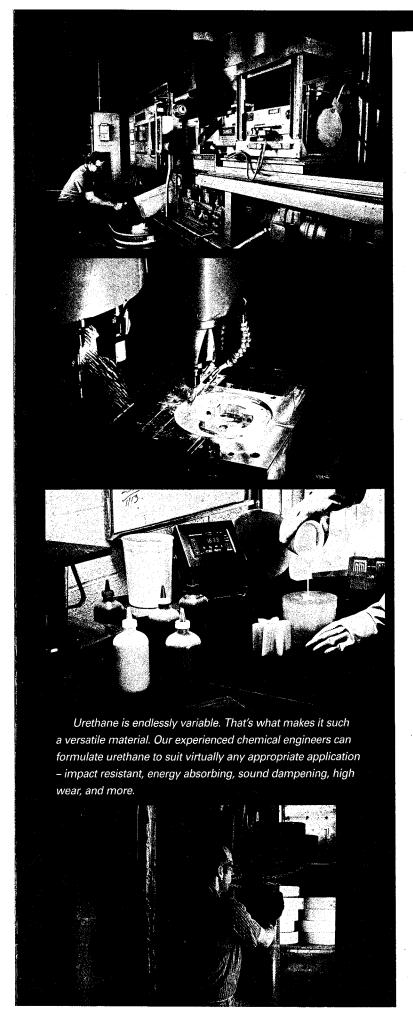
Sincerely,

Brad Reid

President, Diversified Plastics, Inc.

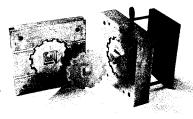
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Expertise in fabrication and machining.

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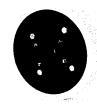
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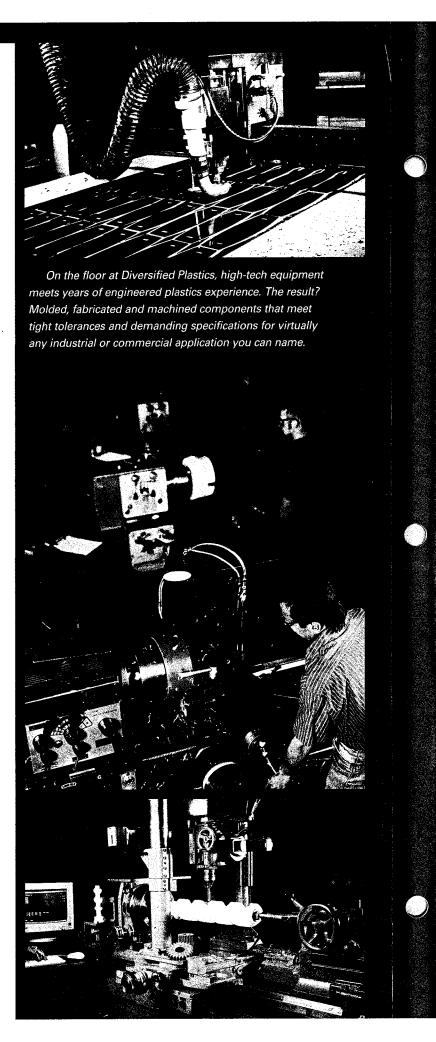
In addition to our custom capabilities, we also stock and distribute a wide range of materials, resins and components. These "off the shelf" materials are engineered to a variety of specifications and come in all standard shapes: sheets, rods, tubes, strips and profiles. Typically, our in-stock materials include UHMW-PE (natural, reprocessed, crosslinked, ceramic-filled, steel-filled), Nylon (natural, Molly-filled, oil-filled, glass-filled), Delrin, Teflon, Phenolic, urethane, vinyl and more.

Creating more than parts.

At Diversified Plastics, Inc., our capabilities are as versatile as our materials. We have the facilities and experts to meet any need. And we approach every project with a new-company attitude that emphasizes problem solving,

critical thinking and creative ideas. In other words, we're as good at creating solutions as we are at creating parts.





We fit your business.



Even the smallest, most inexpensive part affects your bottom line because it impacts your manufacturing process, your material costs, your pricing, and your ability to meet your own customers' needs. Choosing the right supplier for custom plastic components can make a big difference in the success and profitability of your company.

At Diversified Plastics, Inc., we've been designing, fabricating and molding plastic parts for a wide range of industrial and OEM applications since 1976. We've become known for our ability to fulfill unique requests, meet urgent time frames, solve difficult applications, and stay within tight budget constraints — all while meeting your standards for quality.

While plastic components are often specified to save money, our clients have come to expect more than value. At Diversified Plastics, we start each project with a question-and-answer phase that ensures we have every scrap of information we need. Then we use the best minds and best equipment in the industry to deliver components that meet or exceed your parameters and requirements. We can even combine various processes and materials to create a single part.

With Diversified Plastics, you get more than custom parts that fit your application. You get a manufacturing partner – an experienced supplier who fits your business.

